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# STUDENT OPINION

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## QUESTIONNAIRE FOR STUDENTS AND FACULTY

To Determine Social Composition of Teaching Profession.

The class in types of industry and occupation under the direction of Mrs. Dodge last week presented to the entire Normal school, faculty and students including those who are out doing practice teaching, a questionnaire for the purpose of determining the "social composition of the teaching population" in a group which may be called fairly representative.

The questionnaire follows:

Mark with an (X) or underscore where possible.

### 1. General—

In what states was your childhood spent?

Geographical environment:

Prairie

Mountainous.

Forests.

Soil fertile.

Poor.

Arid, irrigated.

In or near city of 1st, 2d or 3d class.

Main or branch line of railroad. Isolated.

### 2. Were you—

Native born of native born?

Native born of foreign born?

Foreign born of foreign born.

3. How many brothers? In school, where, grade purpose.

How many sisters? In school, where, grade, purpose.

Other dependent members in family? Hired help in family?

### II. Wage earner's occupation—

1. Father (living or dead.)

Mother (living or dead) Brother or sister.

Underline estimated yearly income of family.

Poor (under \$500); Moderate, (under \$2500); Well to do (over \$2500).

2. Underline types of savings.

No savings, life insurance, amount.

Accumulation in land or business.

Bonds or mortgages.

Liabilities.

III. Character of industry or occupation—

(a) Sole support.

(b) Any promotions.

(c) Health.

(d) Hours of day, days of week.

(e) Cold lunch.

(f) Condition of plant (healthful or not.)

(g) Danger of occupation.

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## Word From Practice Teachers —Improving Opportunities

Should our Ellensburg classmates look in on our rural center this morning and see the would-be teachers eagerly reading the lately arrived Student Opinion, they would rest assured that we in Yakima county think often of Ellensburg Normal school and are vitally interested in all news from our Alma Mater.

We are fast learning "how to do it" by actually doing it and it is most interesting to note the rise and fall of one's pet theories.

Miss Stuart makes it possible for us to make trips to various points of interest. One afternoon we visited a nearby apple packing house and there we were escorted through the entire building and treated to luscious red apples on the way. Those of us who are strangers in the valley, watched with interest the rapid packing in progress all the time.

The following Saturday afternoon found our girls at the beet-sugar factory and we now understand in part at least, the mystery of converting raw beets into fine white sugar.

Last week we attended institute at North Yakima as part of our regular work; not the least interesting part of this was the luncheon at the Commercial hotel; at this place instructors, former students and practice teachers of Ellensburg Normal enjoyed a jolly hour together.

Mrs. Wallace William gave a very energetic and stirring plea for internationalism. She made an excellent suggestion to teachers who wish to give the children a little of the meaning of internationalism, i. e. to suggest that they design a flag which should be honored alike by all nations after the war; a new, broader, better attitude than "my flag" namely "our flag," the flag of the world; a flag which stands eternally as the symbol of human brotherhood. She said in a school where it had been discussed that one child had suggested that the center of interest of the design be a circle. This obviously to be the symbol of the joined hands of all nations.

This ideal of the reconstruction period which must follow this world struggle, ought to be considered by every teacher; for upon her children too young now to take active part rests the tremendous problem of readjustment after the war. Conditions which we can scarcely now foresee

It should be the teachers' aim too, that all young citizens should be made to feel the higher responsibility that will come when patriotism shall have yielded its place to internationalism.

Want to see some real live teaching? Stroll out to the Damman school and see what Cornelia Morgan, Eva Gilbert, Emma Crego, Florence Toney, Myrtle Nelson, Doris Buren and Anita Hickey are doing under Miss Busby's supervision.

These girls consider themselves very fortunate in having Miss Busby for their supervisor, her untiring efforts having made it the success that it is.

Already each girl is teaching at least three classes daily. Myrtle Nelson has started a knitting class and Florence Toney is organizing a basketball club for the girls. Emma Crego is going to start a class for "first aid." Doris Buren has had charge of art and music classes, and Anita Hickey has been teaching primary hand work.

But teaching does not take up all time in the Damman school. Every two weeks the community club holds card parties and dances in the school gymnasium.

Go and see for yourself. Miss Busby and the girls would be glad to have you.

### KAMOLA HALL ASSOCIATION

The Kamola hall association now has all of its necessary machinery for carrying on the work outlined in its constitution.

At our last regular meeting the constitution as a whole was formally adopted by roll call vote; then everyone signing the constitution. This procedure gave the atmosphere which shows the sincerity and strength our organization needs.

On account of the departure of Beulah Kelly, who was vice-president of the association, it was necessary to nominate and elect another. Reita Faulkner was the one elected to fill this capacity. Hannah Berg who was previously elected secretary and treasurer, found the work too heavy for one; so it was deemed advisable to elect a treasurer. Marie Johnson was chosen for this position. Both Miss Faulkner

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## SCHOOL ENJOYS THANKSGIVING VACATION

Faculty and Students Leave For Homes.

President and Mrs. Black visited at Lewiston, Idaho, during Thanksgiving vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Draper spent Thanksgiving in Seattle, where they attended the U. of W. vs. W. S. C. football game.

Mrs. Dodge on her way home from Bellingham institute, spent the day in Seattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephens were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wooster at Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Smyser and son Hugh visited in Tacoma during the week end.

Miss Morris, Miss Berry, Miss MacFarlane and Miss Ellis spent their vacation in Seattle and Tacoma.

Mrs. Roegner was a guest at the home of Mrs. H. C. Ackley.

Miss Kinschy visited friends in North Yakima during vacation.

Miss Fowler returned home to Malaga for Thanksgiving.

Students going to their various homes during vacation were: Tacoma, Allen Arnold, Myrtle Calkins, Mable Walter, Clara Eaton, Edna Johnson, Gladys Lynn, Edith Erickson, Elizabeth Campbell, Sybil Crook, Myrtle Goore, Mary Packenham and Evelyn Sullivan.

North Yakima: Mabel Bennett, Murial Davis, Hortence Kickenapp, Mildred Mackie, Emma Sprenger, Nettina Strobach, Clara Griggs, Lillian Espy, Helen Walton, Myrtle Townsend, Ione Beck, Esther Schneck and Jo Graney. Miss Rossman and Miss Wilmarth were also in Yakima.

Auburn: Jo Young, Margaret Collins, Lena Wolfen and Dorothy Conahan.

Cle Elum: Mae Bollen, Belle Dodge, Lois Jacques and Christene Brotherson.

Others who returned home or visited friends were: Lucile Irving and Gladys Coats, Raymond, Wash.; Beatrice King, Grandview; Anna Briskey, Naches City; Winfred Meyers, El Topia, Ruth Quaife and Dorothy Foster, Buckley; Mildred Wray, Orting; Vera Riddell, Sumner; Virginia Baker, Prosser; Neva Dills, Wheeler; Edith Wilson and Dorothy Woodward, Seattle; Dorothy Mann and Dora Williams, Kennewick.

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### EDITORIAL.

#### Think it Over.

Xmas is coming: So let us decide in what way the war should affect our usual Xmas observances. We are all trying to do our bit by knitting, by food conservation, in every way we can. We know that our country needs our support in money too. Have we the right to waste money in unnecessary Xmas giving while the Belgians and Armenians need plain food and clothing? Money is needed to feed our allies and our own soldiers. Not one of us would deny to our soldiers any comfort we could give. Yet we do that indirectly where we waste. Let us spend no money for Xmas gifts except in making happy little children, the poor and our soldiers.

Students! Our assembly represents our faculty in its dignity, work of service, and power to inspire and our student body in business meeting and in entertaining helpful program. Every assembly is of value. Let us not lose these advantages by failing to attend assembly at 9:45 every morning. And let us remember that this is one of the ways in which we can show our respect and loyalty to W. S. N. S.

#### Attention Everyone!

Time is flying. December 15th is almost here and all Y. M. C. A. pledges must be in before them. Think it over, and bring your money at the earliest possible date.

Members of the A. S. B. board and Student Opinion staff are rejoicing over the purchase of a typewriter by the A. S. B. No more will there be a frantic search and desperate appeal for the use of a machine when there is urgent need for typing! Those who so often borrowed Dean Baker's typewriter wish to thank her most sincerely for her kindness and generosity for the use of her machine.

### AN HOUR WITH THE PRIMARY DEPARTMENT

Conferences aren't so bad even if they do come at 4:15. At least that was the affirmation of all the students registered in the primary department on Thursday afternoon. They all wore rather long faces when they entered the training school but the "too much to do" look ironed out when they reached the large kindergarten room and found the tables spread.

It was arranged by Miss Sholty, Miss Kindchy, Mrs. Whitfield, and Miss Morris, that the primary department should all come together for an hour's good time, and a notice was posted urging all to be present. The primarians may be complimented on the fact that they do read the bulletin board, for all came.

While around the tables, which were arranged attractively in a family like group interesting experiences were told; and many valuable pointers were gained by hearing how some other teacher met an unusual experience. Unusual experience in the school room are like the unusual weather in one's home, the usual is the exception. Almost everyone had something to tell that gave the listener a feeling that the pioneers were not all of picturesque guise, such as Dr. Meany pictured, sturdy and strong with axe and shovel to dig his way. Many pioneer experiences in the field of education in remote parts of the North were told.

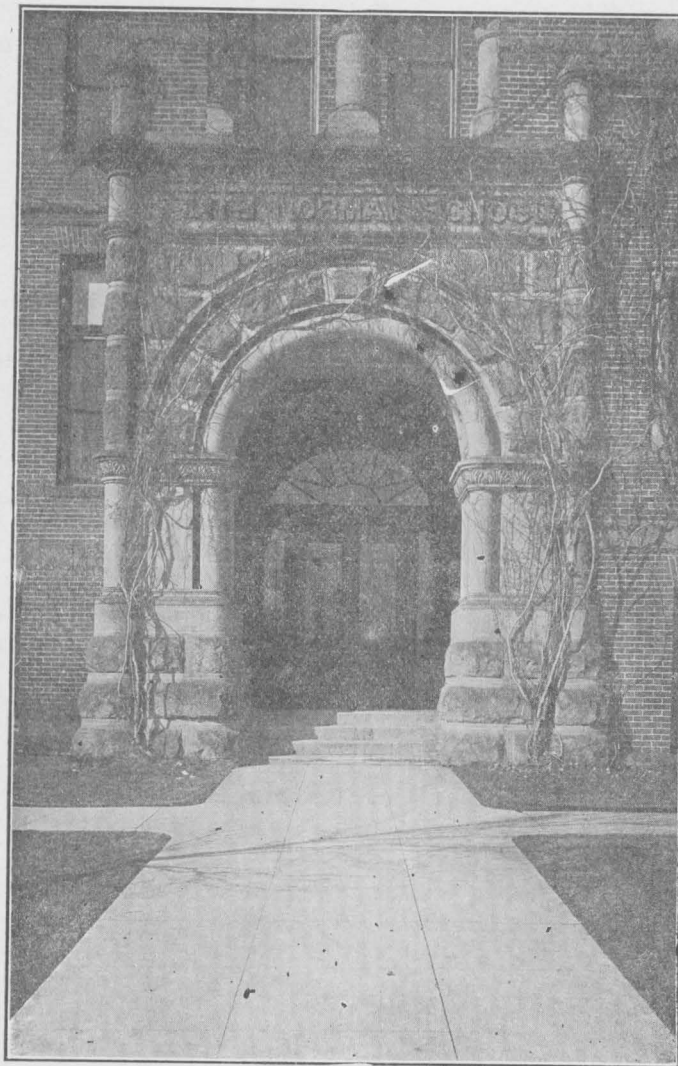
Every one was interested they forgot that they were sitting on kindergarten chairs, but the committee of arrangements remembered their rules of pedagogy and the guests were asked to help push the tea tables back and make room for games. Miss Schneider played the piano for two lively games and promptly at 5:15 the guests departed.

It is the plan of the department to meet often in a most informal way just for a good time.

#### Startling Catastrophe.

Student Opinion's cub reporter wandered into the president's office just in time to find our usually calm executive secretary in a "nawful scrape." Two stenographers and the janitor strove in vain to rescue her. Alas! ink!! mucilage!!! The bottle of ink and the bottle of mucilage had had a fight, spilled themselves all over the contents of their drawer in the desk. Papers were removed, but on our latest information the drawer and the mucilage held immovable the glass bottom of the broken bottle, the inkstand, and one lone piece of chalk!

The Damman school closed last Tuesday because of an epidemic of scarlet fever. Most of the practice teachers returned to Kamola hall during their enforced vacation.



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## SOCIETY

### Thanksgiving at Kamola Hall.

A delightful Thanksgiving dinner party was given at Kamola hall for the girls who remained in town during the Thanksgiving season.

The tables were arranged in "U" formation and were tastefully decorated with yellow chrysanthemums and lighted candles.

A sumptuous dinner was served at 2:30 after which the guests adjourned to the drawing room where charades and other games were participated in by all.

The invited guests were Miss Angeline Smith, Misses Elizabeth and Janet Black and Emily Forseman.

From the large number of boxes brought by the postman the morning before Thanksgiving the girls who stayed over must have had some "good eats," as well as those who went home.

Thursday night at an "early" hour a delicious spread was given in Ethel Myer's room. Real linen, silver, candles and favors made the repast a most enjoyable one. Those partaking were Macie Grose-close, Eloise Boalch, Della Leonard, Theresa Quecheck, Dancelina Caveletto and Ethel Myers.

A breakfast on Friday morning was the way in which Frances Hamm and Grace Gregory enjoyed their boxes from home. Chicken, cake and cookies, fruit and nuts, and hot chocolate made a very appetizing if unusual breakfast.

Honoring their guests Miss Sofia Barnes, of Kent. Cara Boucher and Alice Madsen entertained at dinner in their room Saturday evening. Grace West and Florence Nelson completed the party, all enjoying a fine time.

### Maxwell-Beatty. Wedding.

The marriage of Miss Vera Maxwell and Mr. Blake Beatty, of Ellensburg, was announced last week. Miss Maxwell was connected for about six years with the normal school, as recorder and secretary. They will make their home on the Beatty farm near here.

### Thomas-Cheney Wedding.

The wedding of Miss Hazel Thomas to Lieutenant Joseph C. Cheney, took place Thanksgiving day, at 1 o'clock at the home of her parents.

The bride is a former member of our senior class and the groom is the son of B. D. Cheney, a lawyer of Montessano.

The bride looked charming in a travelling gown of brown velour and carrying yellow roses. She was attended by Miss Margaret Nesbit. Lieutenant Thomas Stevens a Delta Chi fraternity brother of Lieutenant Cheney was best man. Rev. Wm. J. Sharp performed the ceremony. After the wedding dinner Lieut. and Mrs. Cheney left for Tacoma.

### Art Laboratory Moved.

It's a long, long trail—and a steep one too—to the third floor of the administration building. And so the students of art have reached the same high level as those of music and of agriculture.

The art room has up to this time, been in the manual training building. But this room was found to be too small, for the process of skillful brandishing a paint brush requires plenty of elbow room. Furthermore, the work of the students is so perfect that an abundance of sunshine is needed to detect the faults, such an abundance, in fact, that even the present room may have to be given up and another sought.

The former art room is now being transformed into a domestic science apartment. Showing that even a studio may become a kitchen.

## ASSEMBLY

"Believe in the course you have chosen, master the fundamental principles of your calling and be honest, thorough and industrious," said Rev. Billington in his address to the student body before Thanksgiving. He presented to his audience the unique proposition that life is a problem in geometry—a circle in which there are three straight lines to represent a triangle, the sides of which are the body, the mind and the morals. Another triangle, heredity, individuality and environment. We get the most out of life when we put the most in.

"A 150 pound man is worth just \$8.00," was the startling declaration made by Rev. Young, to the student body, "for there is enough salt in him to fill a salt cellar, enough sugar to fill a sugar bowl, albuminoids for six eggs and other ingredients of commercial value."

"What does it take to make a man complete, From the top of his head to the bottom of his feet."

The true measure of a man is one that is a friend to all mankind and one who aspires to climb to greater heights mentally, morally and spiritually.

The history of the Red Cross was given by the sixth grade of the Training school, in Thursday morning assembly.

The life of Florence Nightingale and her work in the Crimean war and the noble work of Clara Barton in the Civil war, were told by the children. Each told a part of the story which made it more interesting.

Dewey Jordan, our fellow student during the 1st quarter, has passed his examinations and has been accepted in the quartermaster's corps. He will be stationed at Fort Lawton.

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### QUESTIONNAIRE GIVEN OUT

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- (h) Aid given injured.
- (i) Distance from work, walk or car.
- (j) Education.
- (k) Connection with civic work.
- (l) Social or fraternal orders.
- (m) Religious affiliations.
- (n) Aesthetic interests (art, literature, music, etc.)
- (o) Trend of ideals.

IV. Effect of parental occupation on family—

As a child did you know much about parental occupation?

How many children followed parental occupation?

What influenced you in selecting your occupation?

Those marking the questions were asked to make marginal notes where ever needed to give information clearly and fully.

In question 3, under 1, "where" means in what kind of school, as grammar or high school, college or university, etc.

In questions 1 and 2, under 11, if exact answers could not be given, approximate statements were desired.

The survey is to be kept as impersonal as possible, no names being put on the papers.

A statement of results and conclusions will be published later.

### SCHOOL ENJOYS VACATION.

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Eswin Hall Girls Spend Vacation at Lake Cle Elum.

Not all the students who left Ellensburg during vacation went to their homes—one particularly merry party chose Lake Cle Elum as the sight of their festivities. Loretta Lafferty her sister Priscilla, Harriet Lucas, her house guest Florence Weed, Joyce Bachus, Grace Stonecipher, Miss Rankin and Miss Mott made up the party. The days

were spent in sleighing, coasting, and even hiking though the snow measured two and one half feet in depth.

Though vacation time the girls did not overlook educational advantages which were presented in the opportunity of going through two coal mines at Roslyn. On Sunday afternoon the girls returned feeling, not to mention a little muscular stiffness, a vast new supply of physical and mental vigor.

#### Hall Visitors.

Emily Foresman, of Yakima, visited with her sister Dean Foresman.

Naomi Light, '17, visited old friends of Ellensburg and Kamola hall.

Mrs. Sue Slusser Beck, '17, also visited old friends.

Mrs. J. D. Morris spent the week end with her niece, Helen Morris.

Rose Munson, of Mabton, spent Thanksgiving with her sister Ellen Munson.

### The Kamola Hall Association

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ner and Miss Johnson are valuable assets to the executive board, and will bring new ideas with them.

In addition to these elections we have elected a judiciary board, a separate body from the executive board, who investigate misdemeanors and report them to the executive board. Five people serve on this board. Four members were elected at large, and the president of the executive board, makes the fifth member. Those elected on this board are, Alma Flower, Harriet Lucas, Anne Yenney and Jo Graney. For this responsible position we have chosen a very efficient group, who will work for the best interests, and advancement of the association.

### Dramatic Art Club Party.

Save your pennies for Saturday night! Popcorn, candy, "hot dog" for sale at cost! Also an unusual opportunity to buy Xmas gifts at a low price!! Articles of rare workmanship and wonderful value will be sold at the Bazaar of Memes VII in the streets of Cairo.

The many other attractions on Joy street will be free to all. Representatives from many nations will bring their music and their interesting customs to show us. Faculty and students, all are invited.

Miss Loretta Lafferty left last Tuesday to accept a position in the sixth grade at Port Townsend. Miss Lafferty received her diploma at the close of the first quarter.

### Training School Notes.

A Christmas program is being prepared by the grammar grades. The seventh grade, working on the dramatization of Dicker's Christmas Carol; the eighth grade is also working on a play.

## Greetings, Folks

The joyous season of Xmas is almost here.

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